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450100-4135.1

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s) : Takahiro Fujimori et al.  
Serial No. : 09/841,196  
Filed : April 24, 2001  
For : DATA COMMUNICATION METHOD, ELECTRONIC  
APPARATUS, AND PHYSICAL-LAYER-CONTROL  
INTEGRATED CIRCUIT  
Examiner : John Pezzlo  
Art Unit : 2662

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.  
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

**Claims as Amended**

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	14	Minus	27	0 x	\$18 (9)	= \$0.00
Independent claims	2	Minus	6	0 x	\$86 (43)	= \$0.00
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$0.00

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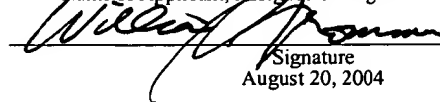
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- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$290(145) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- ☐ This response is being filed within the first month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a one-month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached, which covers the cost of ☐ additional claims ☐ petition for extension of time.
- ☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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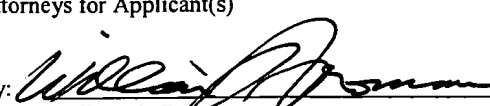
  
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Respectfully submitted,

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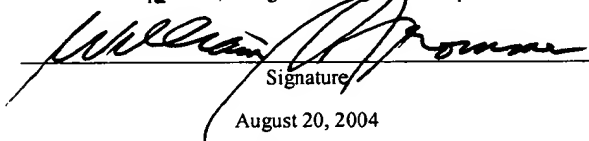
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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 26, 2004, please amend the above-identified  
application as follows: